APPENDIX B

Please amend the Claims as follows:

1. (once amended) A computer-based method of visually delineating [lineage]a relationship between related graphical objects in a graphical user interface, the method comprising:

[creating a graphic symbol, said graphic symbol having a specified pattern, and associating it with at least a first graphical object;

designating one or more a color attributes for said graphic symbol;

displaying one or more related graphical objects;

retaining said created graphic symbol, its specified pattern and color attributes within said one or more displayed related graphical objects, and

wherein said one or more objects are recognizable as related to said first objects by the persistence of said specified graphic symbol pattern and designated colors.]

associating at least one icon with at least two diverse, but related graphical objects, said icon having a specified color scheme;

when one of said related graphical objects is displayed, displaying said icon within said displayed graphical object; and

wherein said displayed graphical objects are recognizable as related by the persistence of said icon with said specified color scheme in said displayed graphical objects.

2. (once amended) A computer-based method of visually delineating [lineage]a relationship between related graphical [windows]objects, as per claim 1, wherein said [created graphic symbol, its specified pattern and color attributes is retained]icon is displayed within a visible portion of [one or more related objects]said displayed graphical object.

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5. (once amended) A computer-based method of visually delineating [lineage]a relationship between related graphical [windows]objects, as per claim 1, wherein said [graphic symbol and persistence of color between said first and second objects]persistence of said icon with said specified color scheme provides user assistance when traversing a series of graphical templates.

6. (once amended) A computer-based method of visually delineating [lineage]a relationship between related graphical [windows]objects, as per claim 1, wherein said [group of] related graphical objects comprise any of: graphical windows, toolbars, rulers, wizards, titlebars, tables and icons.

7. (once amended) A computer-based method of delineating [lineage]a relationship between [a first object and a related object]related graphical objects, said method comprising:

[creating an]associating at least one icon [representing]with a first graphical object, said icon having a specified color scheme;

[designating at least a color scheme for said icon;]

[creating]displaying a second graphical object that is diverse from, but related to said first graphical object;

[retaining]displaying said icon [and color scheme of said first object] within [a visible area of] said second [related] object, and

wherein said second object is recognizable as related to said first object by the persistence of said icon [and]with said specified color scheme.

8. (once amended) A computer-based method of delineating [lineage]a relationship between [a first object and a related object]related graphical objects, as per claim 7, wherein said first and second objects are located within a graphical user interface.

9. (once amended) A computer-based method of delineating [lineage]a relationship between [a first object and a related object]related graphical objects, as per claim 7, wherein the persistence of said icon [and]with said specified color scheme between said first and second objects provides user assistance when traversing a series of graphical templates.

10. (once amended) A computer-based method of delineating [lineage]a relationship between [a first object and a related object]related graphical objects, as per claim 7, wherein said [related objects]first and second objects comprise any of: graphical windows, toolbars, rulers, wizards, title bars, tables and icons.

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12. (once amended) A computer-based method of graphically illustrating a progressive relationship between a series of related graphical objects comprising:

[creating one or more icons for]associating at least one icon with a first graphical object, said icon having a specified color scheme;

[creating a color scheme for said one or more icons;]

[including at least one of said one or more icons and associated color scheme]displaying said icon with said specified color scheme within said first graphical object;

[progressing through]progressively displaying a series of graphical objects diverse from, but related to said first graphical object, said one or more related graphical objects to reflect an evolution of progression of development of said first graphical object, and

wherein said [progression retains said at least one of said one or more icons and associated color schemes]icon with said specified color scheme is displayed within each of said related graphical objects.

13. (once amended) A computer-based method of graphically illustrating a progressive relationship between a series of related graphical objects as per claim 12, wherein the persistence of said icon [and]with said specified color scheme between said [first and second]related objects provides user assistance when traversing a series of graphical templates.

14. (once amended) A computer-based method of graphically illustrating a progressive relationship between a series of related graphical objects as per claim 12, wherein said related graphical objects collectively comprise a user assistance wizard.

15. (once amended) A computer program product for use with a graphics display device, said computer program product comprising:

a computer usable medium having computer readable program code means included in said medium:

said computer readable program code means embodying a method for:

[creating a graphic symbol, said graphic symbol having a specified pattern, and associating it with at least a first graphical object;

designating one or more color attributes for said graphic symbol;

displaying one or more related graphical objects;

retaining said created graphic symbol, its specified pattern and color attributes within said one or more displayed related graphical objects, and

wherein said one or more objects are recognizable as related to said first objects by the persistence of said specific graphic symbol pattern and designated colors.]

associating at least one icon with at least two diverse, but related graphical objects, wherein said icon has a specified color scheme;

when one of said related graphical objects is displayed, displaying at least one replica of said icon within said displayed graphical object; and

wherein said displayed graphical objects are recognizable as related by the persistence of said icon with said specified color scheme in said displayed graphical objects.

16. (once amended) A computer program product for use with a graphics display device, said computer program product as per claim 15, wherein said [created graphic symbol, its specified pattern and color attributes is retained]icon is displayed within a visible portion of [one or more related objects]said displayed graphical object.

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18. (once amended) A computer program product for use with a graphics display device, said computer program product as per claim 15, wherein [the persistence of said graphic symbol and

designated one or more color attributes between said first and second objects]said persistence of said icon with said specified color scheme provides user assistance when traversing a series of graphical templates.

19. (once amended) A computer program product for use with a graphics display device, said computer program product comprising:

a computer usable medium having computer readable program code means included in said medium:

said computer readable program code means embodying a method for:

[creating one or more icons for]associating at least one icon with a first graphical object, said icon having a specified color scheme;

[creating a color scheme for said one or more icons;]

[including at least one of said one or more icons and associated color scheme]displaying said icon with said specified color scheme within said first graphical object;

[progressing through]progressively displaying a series of graphical objects diverse from, but related to said first graphical object, said one or more related graphical objects to reflect an evolution of progression of development of said first graphical object, and

wherein said [progression retains said at least one of said one or more icons and associated color schemes]icon with said specified color scheme is displayed within each of said related graphical objects.

20. (once amended) A computer program product for use with a graphics display device as per claim 19, wherein said related objects collectively comprise a user assistance wizard.

21. (once amended) A computer-based system with visually related graphical objects comprising:

[one or more graphic symbols]at least one icon retained in computer storage, [each of said one or more graphic symbols having a specified pattern and association with at least a first graphical object;]said icon having a specified color scheme and associated with a first graphical object;

[one or more color attributes designated for each of said one or more graphic symbols;]

a display visually instantiating one or more graphical objects diverse from, but related to said first graphical object;

wherein said [one or more graphic symbols, specified pattern and color attributes]icon with said specified color scheme is replicated within a visual space of said displayed one or more graphical objects related to said first object, and

wherein said one or more[related]displayed objects are visually recognizable as related due to the persistence of said [specified graphic symbol pattern and designated colors]icon with said specified color scheme.

22. (once amended) A computer-based system with visually related graphical objects as per claim 21, wherein the persistence of said icon [and designated colors]with said specified color scheme between said first and related objects provides user assistance when traversing a series of graphical templates.